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Mr. Henry Anderson
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Dear Mr. Anderson:

Preparations are now underway in planning for the Summer Work Project sponsored by the Department of Social Work at Sacramento State College. As you may know, this will be the second such project to involve students from the college in service to agricultural workers and other families of poor rural communities. Although last year's project left much to be desired, it did provide the experience necessary to meet needs which were unknown at the beginning of the program. Our major difficulties last year were in the area of organization and supervision of volunteers while they were in service. Provision has been made to provide for adequate supervision in the field. Several members of the faculty of the college will assume the major responsibility for supervision of volunteers, who will be under the direction of the agency involved. In addition to this, a full time Field Placement Director has been employed and salaries will be provided for a limited number of field supervisors where needed.

Volunteers are currently being processed to assure that they are adequately prepared emotionally to bring the maturity necessary to their individual assignments. An orientation period of nine weeks will be conducted to equip each volunteer with an understanding of the sorts of problems currently affecting farm laborers and their families. The orientation also includes course materials on those public and private efforts currently underway to serve the families of farm workers. We would hope that this orientation, and the provisions we have made for field supervision,

will enable us to be of assistance to your community during the summer months.

We will be able to place a limited number of salaried volunteers in instances where no other source of financial assistance is available. However, we welcome the opportunity to assign volunteers when financial assistance and/or subsistence can be provided by the local sponsoring agency.

You will find enclosed an application which may be of some use to you in answering this request. A prompt reply is necessary in order that we might make adequate preparation to send volunteers early in the summer months. Please feel free to contact me at any time in this regard. I can be reached during the evening at my home (telephone number 443-6084) or a message may be left for me at the Department of Social Work at the college (telephone number 454-6121).

Sincerely,

Michael Johnson
Michael Johnson
Field Placement Director

1. Name of agency _____
2. Address _____ Telephone _____
3. Services provided by agency _____

4. In what way could volunteers be utilized effectively by your agency
in either a full or part-time capacity _____

5. Positions available to volunteer workers _____

6. Are there any salaried positions presently open that students might
perform during the summer? _____
7. If no salary is available, could you arrange for room and board? _____
8. Nature of duties performed _____

9. Experience or special skills essential to possible assignments _____

10. Training involved (if any) _____

11. Accessible housing _____

12. Public transportation _____